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## NOTICE VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

August 3, 2015

### Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Notice of Ex Parte Oral Communications in the proceedings captioned: Technology Transitions (GN Docket No. 13-5); Policies and Rules Governing Retirement of Copper Loops by Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (RM-11358)

### Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 30, 2015, at approximately 3:30 pm, I left a telephone voice message with an unidentified aide to Commissioner Mignon Clyburn and a voicemail message with Travis Litman, Legal Counsel – Wireline, for Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel regarding the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) consideration of an Order in the Technology Transitions and Copper Retirement dockets (GN Docket No. 13-5 and RM-11358).

# The messages that I left simply stated that:

- The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (DC PSC) currently has an open case that also addresses the issues of copper retirement and battery back-up for regulated local exchange services that utilize fiber facilities (Formal Case No. 1102);
- (2) The DC PSC was unable to file Comments or Reply Comments in these dockets because this case was still open; and
- (3) I believe that it is important that the FCC maintain the Federal-State Partnership in protecting consumers and ensuring public safety by NOT pre-empting States' authority to also establish battery back-up requirements and notification requirements to residential and business customers and to competitive local exchange carriers.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide these messages to Commissioners Clyburn and Rosenworcel. If anyone has any questions about the messages that I provided to the offices of Commissioners Clyburn and Rosenworcel, they may contact me at 202-626-5125 and <a href="mailto:bakane@psc.dc.gov">bakane@psc.dc.gov</a> or my Policy Advisor, Cary B. Hinton at 202-626-9186 and <a href="mailto:chinton@psc.dc.gov">chinton@psc.dc.gov</a>.

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